

# MENTOR MICHIGAN DIRECTORY

## OAKLAND COUNTY

This listing for Oakland County is organized first by programs that serve the entire county, and second by programs serving a specific city within this county. The cities are listed alphabetically.

### COUNTY-WIDE

#### **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit**

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#### **Program Description:**

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit strengthens children in need through one-to-one relationships with volunteer mentors. BBBS has two core programs for youth ages seven through 14—community-based mentoring and BBBS in Schools or school-based mentoring. Through the community-based program, mentors and mentees generally meet once a week to share experiences and activities that enrich both of their lives. Through BBBS in Schools, volunteers provide individualized time and attention at the child's school, using the resources available there (e.g. computer labs, the library, a classroom). These programs may involve one-on-one, group, peer, and e-mentoring. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two to four hours per month during afternoon, evening, or weekend hours.

## **COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED**

### **Catholic Social Services of Oakland County**

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#### **Program Description:**

Parent Partner is a mentoring program matching adult volunteers with pregnant teens. Once matched, the teen and mentor are provided with childbirth education classes designed for teen parents. Mentors provide support to the teen during labor and delivery. Once the baby is born, mentors continue to provide support to the teen and her family through outreach intervention including home visits, telephone calls, correspondence, and transportation when needed. Services focus on labor support, infant care, parenting education, child development, parent-child interaction, and resource development. Teens and mentors are provided with support education groups after the child birth series is completed. The volunteer mentors make a commitment of approximately one year, which may be extended depending upon the need. Volunteer typically serve three to four hours per week during afterschool, evening, and weekend hours.

### **The Detroit Peace Maker Program**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Detroit Peace Maker Program is designed around the Seven Principles, a value system that allows a child to build his or her own set of values, perspectives, and insights. This is a peer and team-based mentoring focusing on academic and social development. The program is designed to enhance the peer-to-peer skills of youth in elementary, middle, and high schools. It supports a strong non-violence approach to interaction with others. Youth often travel, camp, present conflict resolution training, receive academic tutoring and participate in a variety of other activities. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves four to six hours per month during evening and weekend hours.

## COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED

### **Eastern Michigan Young Marines**

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#### **Program Description:**

The heart of the Young Marines is a Drug Demand Reduction Program sponsored by the Marine Corp League. The program is modeled after the U.S. Marine Corp to teach leadership, physical fitness, wilderness survival, self discipline, self respect, and self confidence. Weaponry and combat are not taught. This is a group mentoring program where the unit is lead by example, one one gets left behind, and everyone is offered the same opportunities. Participants, ages eight through 18, learn to set goals and develop a personal route to successfully achieve them.

### **ExperienceSeniorPower.com**

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#### **Program Description:**

Through ExperienceSeniorPower.com, children and senior citizens learn computer and job skills together. Children receive an adult role model through these "adoptive grandparent" relationships and seniors have the opportunity to contribute their life experience and knowledge. This program includes one-on-one, group, team, and e-mentoring activities. Senior volunteers are expected to make a one year commitment during morning, afternoon, or weekend hours.

## **COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED**

### **Journey Partners Mentoring Program**

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#### **Program Description:**

Journey Partners empowers Family Independence Agency supported families by matching them with trained volunteer mentors. The family and their mentor establish a relationship of trust and friendship which often leads to family stability, development of plans for the future, and movement toward economic independence. Mentors are compassionate, dependable, mature, and good listeners who have an interest in helping families improve their lives. Mentors receive eight hours of training and attend monthly support meetings. Once trained, mentors are matched with one family for a minimum of six months and meet one hour per week with their family at a mutually convenient time.

### **Leadership on the Move**

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#### **Program Description:**

Leadership on the Move is a free program that focuses on fun, educational ways to develop leadership skills. Youth involved in the program are in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. The activities include one-on-one, team, and peer mentoring. Volunteers are expected to make a three-month commitment, which includes four to eight hours per month during afternoon, afterschool, and weekend hours.

## **COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED**

### **Mentors Plus**

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#### **Program Description:**

Mentor Plus matches caring adults with elementary, middle, and high school youth referred by the Oakland County Circuit Court/Family Division. This is a one-on-one mentoring program. Youth Assistance is the prevention arm of the court system and administers the Mentors Plus program. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two hours per week during afterschool, evening, or weekend hours.

### **Mentor Works**

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#### **Program Description:**

Mentor Works matches responsible, caring adults with children and teens that can benefit from extra attention and guidance. The youth are ages seven through 18 and live in Oakland County. Mentors can choose from mentoring a child in a community-setting where they spend time doing activities around town that both the mentor and mentee enjoy, or spending time with a child in a school setting focusing on academics and extracurricular activities related to school. In order to assess the level of need and to determine program goals, agency staff interviews each child and parent/guardian one-on-one. Every mentor/mentee match is made based on history, geographic location, and interests of both mentor and the child. All mentors are screened and receive individual and peer group support throughout the life of the match. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves four to six hours per month during day, evening, or weekend hours.

## **COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED**

### **Michigan Youth Leadership Forum**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Michigan Youth Leadership Forum involves 35 high school students that have disabilities. The students are integrated with other students and adults with disabilities to learn leadership, social skills, and citizenship. The program involves one-on-one, team, and peer mentoring and takes place during one week during the summer. The program is managed by the Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns. Volunteers are expected to commit to one full week in the summer and follow up activities.

### **My Brother's Keeper/My Sister's Keeper**

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#### **Program Description:**

The My Brother's Keeper/My Sister's Keeper program takes place in a group mentoring setting and is focused on conflict resolution, community awareness, community service, and developing programs among the mentees. The program involves elementary, middle, and high school students and teaches etiquette, goal setting, and short and long term planning. At the end of the sessions, mentees are paired with an adult in their field of study for individual professional mentoring. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a two year commitment, which involves three to four hours per week during afterschool or weekend hours.

## **COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED**

### **Spaulding for Children**

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#### **Program Description:**

Spaulding for Children has a program that matches foster and adopted teens with adult foster and adopted persons. Mentors and mentees meet at least once a month on the fourth Monday of the month to engage the youth in support group discussions on timely issues. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two to four hours per month during afterschool or evening hours.

### **Volunteer Centers of Michigan**

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#### **Program Description:**

Volunteer Centers recruit, train, and place volunteers in nonprofit organizations throughout their service area. They are inclusive, serving all nonprofits and residents—they do not limit their service to a particular issue, group of people, or type of activity. Michigan's Volunteer Centers are all prepared to assist mentors find organizations where they can volunteer. Volunteer Centers often take a leadership position in convening organizations and individuals to find solutions to complex community issues. They live their belief that people enrich their own lives and strengthen their communities through volunteer service.

## **COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED**

### **Women Arise - Youth Arise**

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#### **Program Description:**

Woman Arise is an advocacy program for women that have been or are incarcerated. To properly serve these women, it is necessary to advocate for their children as well.

Mentors are provided for youth ages eight through 17 in order to alter as many risk factors as possible. The program's goal is to eradicate the viscous cycle of incarceration within families and reduce erecivivism through community support and stronger familial relationships. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which includes two to four hours per month during afterschool, evening, or weekend hours.

## **FERNDALE**

### **NWAC Computer Clubhouse Programs**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Computer Clubhouse Programs offers elementary, middle, and high school youth the opportunity to learn professional software programs in a safe and fun environment. One-on-one, group, peer, and e-mentoring is used to help youth create and complete various computer related projects using advance software applications, such as Microsoft Word, Excel, and Powerpoint; Corel Draw, Paint and Bryce; Macromedia Dreamweaver, and Flash; Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and more. Anyone who wants to help kids and has an interest in writing, drawing, acting, music, or robotics would be a great volunteer. Volunteers are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two hours per week during afterschool or evening hours.



## **HAZEL PARK**

### **Strategy Forum - Success Partners**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Strategy Forum supports disadvantaged yet talented middle and high school youth from the Hazel Park Schools and introduces them to potential work partners, internships, scholarships, and other opportunities. One-on-one, group, team, and e-mentoring programs are designed to keep youth in school, focused on the future, and able to make a successful transition from high school into college or other training. The ultimate goal is a meaningful career for the mentees. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a two year commitment, which involves four to six hours per month during afternoon, evening, or weekend hours.

## **NORTHVILLE**

### **Northville Youth Assistance**

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#### **Program Description:**

Northville Youth Assistance creates one-on-one mentoring relationships that encourage, support, and care for local youth. Mentees are ages five through 15 and are referred by parents, school personnel, or the police. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two hour per week during afterschool, evening, or weekend hours.

## **OAK PARK**

### **Career Mentoring Program**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Career Mentoring Program is for underachieving students transitioning from 8th to 9th grade. Students are referred by a teacher or counselor though their participation in the program is voluntary. This career-oriented program involves group and e-mentoring to enhance motivation, self-esteem, communication, and planning and decision making skills. It supports the development of positive relationships and a strong work ethic which leads to a successful transition into high school and beyond. Volunteers are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two hours per week during afterschool hours.

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## **OAK PARK CONTINUED**

### **Winning Futures - Mentoring Partnerships**

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#### **Program Description:**

Winning Futures is a school-based and community-based mentoring organization. Volunteer mentors work in a structured class setting to guide students through a personal development curriculum. Mentors assist students in developing their values, setting short and long-term goals creating a strategic five-year plan, and preparing for a career. Specialized mentoring programs are available for middle school and high school students. All mentors are screened and trained prior to working with youth. The majority of matches are group-mentoring where one mentor is teamed with 3 to 4 students. Mentors are expected to make an 11 to 15 week commitment, which involves one hour per week during morning, afternoon, or afterschool hours. Mentors also have ongoing communication with their mentees through email and letters.

## **PONTIAC**

### **Pontiac Alumni Foundation - Middle School Mentor Program**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Pontiac Alumni Foundation Middle School Mentoring program is an ambitious effort to engage high school seniors and adults in the lives of middle school students. The program involves mentees in e-mentoring and also matches mentors with mentees based on skill sets, and other interests. Ongoing training is available for mentors. Volunteer interested in making a difference in the life of an urban adolescent are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves two hours per week during day or evening hours. This program is sponsored by the DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund.

## **PONTIAC CONTINUED**

### **Positive Male Role Models**

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#### **Program Description:**

Positive Male Role Models offers a variety of services including one-on-one mentoring, group mentoring, and mediation programs. School-based mentoring, focused on middle and high school students, addresses problems in the school environment and challenges the students to apply skills they already possess. Mediation is the PMRM's most popular program and is designed to help students involved in a dispute to work toward reaching a resolution. Mediation is a form of conflict resolution that uses a neutral third party to help students work together to create a solution to their disputes. Wraparound services are also available, which help families connect with needed services such as counseling, mentoring, job coaching, and recreational activities. Volunteers are asked to commit to one school year, which involves four to six hours per month during morning or afternoon hours.

### **The Royal-T-Group Youth Mentoring**

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#### **Program Description:**

The Royal-T-Group and Mark Twain Elementary School are partners in a structured mentoring program. Elementary and middle school students are matched with volunteer mentors and together they build trusting and respectful relationships to enable the youth to excel in all areas of life. Group, team, and e-mentoring activities are part of this program. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a six month commitment, which involves eight hours per month during morning, evening, and weekend hours.

## **SOUTHFIELD**

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## **TROY**

### **HOSTS (Help One Student to Succeed)**

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#### **Program Description:**

HOSTS (Help One Student to Succeed) is a nationally recognized academic structured mentoring program that pairs a student who needs help in reading or math with a volunteer mentor. Any person who wants to help a student succeed in school is qualified to be a HOSTS mentor. Businesses and organizations participate in the HOSTS program by releasing employees to mentor students during their work day. Individuals, such as retirees, business persons, and other students also give the gift of time by mentoring in the HOSTS program. All volunteers attend an orientation for information and training. Volunteers follow mentor-friendly student lesson plans prepared by a teacher to ensure a successful experience for mentor and mentee. Volunteers are expected to commit to one school year. Typically this involves one hour, two days a week during the morning hours.

## **TROY CONTINUED**

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